Weather Event Simulator Case Simulation Guide

Originating office : WFO Norman
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Weather event : Embedded tornadic supercells.

Learning objectives : Identification of atypical tornadic storms in a high shear environment.

Proper use of WARNGEN for rapidly moving tornadic storms.

Available data : WSR-88D data for KTLX (0600-1200 UTC), KVNX (0500-0900 UTC), KICT (0500-

0900UTC), KDDC (2300-0900 UTC) and KAMA (0000-0600 UTC)

: All AWIPS model guidance fields.

: All AWIPS satellite imagery (Regional scale).

All AWIPS point, upper air and lightning data.

: No redbook graphics or LAMP files

Time period : 0600-1100 UTC April 11, 2001; previous evening's data (00-06Z) included for storm's in

Texas and Oklahoma panhandles and southwest KS, though not the main focus of this

simulation.

Type of simulation : Displaced real time, interval, or virtual reality

Completion time : One to five hours.

Additional materials : Paper copy of technical paper for use as a Simulation Guide. Storm Data

 $(StormData.pdf),\,track\,map\,(track_map.gif),\,damage\,survey\,(DamageSurvey.pdf)\\$

provided in electronic format in the "DOCS" subdirectory on the DVD-ROM.

Installation : Use the CaseInstaller.tcl script to install the case specifying one (1) DVD, the appropriate

directory (e.g., /data/awips) on the appropriate hard drive (e.g., /dev/sdb1). The case

directory will be called 2001Apr11.

Special Instructions : This case includes localizations for WES versions 1.0, 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3. Please "cd" to

the 2001Apr11/localizationDataSets subdirectory and extract (zcat | tar -xvf -) the

appropriate localization for your version of the WES software.

: You must convert the case data to the DRT format before starting the displaced real time

or virtual reality simulations.

: Note: This case was constructed from an original WES case used in Central Region and

by converting archive IV disks for KTLX radar data.